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SUBJECT: VISIT OF NTIS OFFICIALS TO JAPAN

REF: A) TOKYO 4823, B) TOKYO 4377

1. DEPARTMENT HAS INQUIRED OF NTIS ABOUT THE TRIP OF ITS
OFFICIALS COYNE AND SMITH TO JAPAN.

2. NTIS FEELS THAT ARTICLE IN JAPAN ECONOMIC JOURNAL ON
VISIT, AS REPORTED IN REFTEL (A), IS MISLEADING. NTIS
OFFICIALS STATE THAT PROPER INFORMATION ON NTIS ACTIVITIES
IN GENERAL IS CONTAINED IN FACT SHEET SENT TO EMBASSY
BEFORE THEIR TRIP TO JAPAN. FINAL EVALUATION OF TRIP WILL
BE SENT TO EMBOFF NORMAN GLICK, CONTROL OFFICER DURING
THEIR VISIT.

3. NTIS OFFICIALS HAVE INDICATED THAT PURPOSE OF NTIS IS
NOT TO COMPETE WITH PRIVATE U.S. BUSINESSES, AT HOME OR
ABROAD, BUT RATHER TO MARKET INFORMATION PACKAGES TO U.S.
BUSINESSES AND INDUSTRY. INFORMATION IN THE NTIS COLL-
ECTION IS PUBLICLY AVAILABLE, AND OUTFLOW TO NON-U.S.

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RECIPIENTS IS DIFFICULT TO CONTROL. PURPOSE OF TRIP TO

JAPAN WAS TO ESTABLISH LOCAL NTIS REPRESENTATIVES TO
ATTEMPT TO PROVIDE BETTER WASHINGTON OVERSIGHT OVER ACTUAL
DISSEMINATION OF NTIS MATERIALS IN JAPAN. KISSINGER

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